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A Look At Early Irish Postal History

by Charles L. Roser

The Postal History of Ireland is as interesting as "The Little People", as ancient as the Land itself. As early as 1598 there were regular mail packets operating between England and Ireland and a few erratic "Posts" had been established. By 1670 the first Dublin Office was well established and serviced two posts a week between London and Dublin and two between Dublin and other Irish towns.



"Bishopp" Mark — Belfast Cross
The earliest dated postmark known is on a cover dated January 18, 1672. This remarkable cover shows that the small "Bishopp" mark used in London was also used in Ireland.



"Bishopp" Mark — Dublin Cross
The "Bishopp" types with date of month only were in black and were in use for more than a hundred years. The small size, about 14mm, is known to have been used in Ireland up to 1737, sometimes the month is at the top and sometimes the date.

The size was later increased to over 20mm and near the end of the century by circles. Circles with octagonal frames for evening marks. Also double diamonds, generally with the date in two lines or with either "A. M." or "P.M." or other large letters or frames at the top, the date of the month being duplicated.

Single and double diamonds with the date not duplicated but with various figures and letters at the top, were introduced in the thirties.

In the "duplicated date" group belongs the "Spirit of Song" which is something the shape of a large signet ring with a mermaid to the left.

The "Maltese Cross" postmark was introduced in 1840 and used until 1844 when the obliterating numbers were used alone and then in 1854 the obliterating number with place-name and date alongside.

The Pearson Hill Parallel obliterating mark, invented by the son of Sir Rowland Hill was introduced in Dublin in 1865 and was used fairly consistently until the close of the century.

The Dublin Penny Post was established in October 1773 and was run as a separate department in the General Post Office. The system started with two deliveries per day and gradually extended these to five per day and as the system proved to be a success the delivery service was extended to the environs of the city within a radius of four miles but twopence was charged, a penny at either end.

Weight for the Penny Post was restricted to 4 ounces and prepayment was enforced. In the general postal service prepayment was optional.

The first Irish Receiving House was established in Dublin, 1773, following the introduction of the Penny Post. These Receiving Houses were taverns, small shops and inns which served as "feeders" for the principal post office of the district.

There are various Receiving House marks such as the place-name, R. H., district numbers in

rectangles, 1d "paid" in black or 1d "to pay" in red.

During the eighteenth century letter rates were charged by the mile so trustees of the roads had to measure and place milestones. In Ireland most of the town names were in straight lines and the mileage figures were unframed. However, Waterford, Belfast, Limerick had plain circle mileage marks in various sizes, with curved names round inside.

Because the Irish mile was longer than the English mile an Act was passed July 1827 which caused all of the Irish distances to be measured in English miles.



When the Uniform Penny Post was introduced January 10, 1840 the mileage marks were no longer necessary. The transaction was cash and the covers were stamped "Paid". Any letter posted without payment was charged double at the other end.



Some "Paids" are found in black but in 1824 instructions were given that all "Paids" would be in red and would be placed on the front of the letters. Various types of handstamped "Paids" are to be found and many of the earliest country marks are most interesting and original.



Early in the reign of Charles II, (1660-1661), Peers, Officers of State, and M.P.'s during the session only—were allowed to frank their correspondence. Notwithstanding the abnormal abuse from high officials downwards, this privilege remained in force for almost two hundred years.

The first Dublin Frank is the "Free" in various sizes and was used up to about 1760 when the word was enclosed in a small circle. Large single and double circles followed with a curved "Free" and date added and sometimes a large "D" or "DUB".

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The octagonal surmounted by crown, and variations, was continued into the thirties as an evening stamp.

According to Meredith the "Spade", was introduced about 1815, doing duty in the morning.

From 1832-1835 a double circle enclosing curved "Free" and "Dublin" and with small crown, was in use.

The last styles, in use up to 1840, have single circles with high crown set well inside them and are known with various letters representing the time of the day.

A Prologue given by C. J. Cooke states, "Irish Postal History is as intriguing to the Philatelist as Irish Political History is to the Politician, and the multifarious stamps and postmarks of Ireland are as incomparable as the beautiful eyes of her women and the stout hearts of her men."

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Playing Card Stamp Discovery

by George W. Linn

The Playing Card Stamps of the United States are a small field yet one that has attracted a great bit of attention. They are badly neglected by many, thus not high priced and offer a range of interest that can hardly be found in any other of the revenues.

The collection of cancellations on them is a very attractive field because the number has its limitations. The real dyed in the wool collector takes the regular issues as well as the Private issues and thus expands the field a bit, some even collect them on unbroken packs of cards, but perhaps the most interesting are the regular issues for they offer greater field for finds and varieties.

I have a Playing Card stamp in my possession now that I have had for several years. It was in a quite large collection of revenues that I bought during the time of the last A.P.S. Convention in Detroit several years ago. It contained a lot of various Playing Card stamps including the one I am now writing about, but apparently the previous owner had never noted what I have found in this stamp, thus a new discovery is made as the variety is not catalogued by Scott but should certainly be there.

The stamp is the common 2c blue of the 1896 issue with the surcharge of a large "7" making it Scott Number RF 7 as listed on page 327 of the Scott Specialized catalogue. But it does not stop there.

This surcharge is in black. But on top of this surcharge we have found it also bears a surcharge "8 Cts" as on Scott RF16. This is in red. Thus we have a 2c stamp raised to 7 cents and then raised to 8 cents.

The stamp is canceled as follows: "S. P. S. CO." reading down from top to bottom along the right side of the stamp and with the word "CANCELLED" at the opposite side of the stamp. The big black "7" is in the center of the stamp and the red surcharge "8 Cts" is toward the lower left corner.

This is an unlisted variety. It is very possible that others may be found. The fact that the stamp is so cluttered up with cancels and surcharges makes it one that can readily be overlooked so if you have anything of this nature, better check it carefully for this may be a rarity.

Mohr President Of Corn Belt Society

Members of the Corn Belt Philatelic Society, Bloomington, Ill. elected Orville Mohr to the presidency recently. Fellow officers are vice president Walter Schwenn and Vernon Martin, Danvers, Ill. secretary-treasurer.

Meetings to which visitors are welcome are held at the YMCA on the third Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Because of an unfortunate oversight, the address of Keith Tucker who wrote "The Christmas Seals of Australia" which appeared in the January 7 edition was omitted.

Mr. Tucker offered to purchase the seals for collectors at face value plus postage for their return, an offer which is still in effect.

Address him Keith Tucker, 276 Glenlyon Rd., North Fitzroy N.7, Melbourne, Australia. Comments on your request will be appreciated. Before sending, check the article in the January 7 edition again.

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The show itself will run from February 28 to March 5 in the Enoch Pratt Free Library, Cathedral and Mulberry Sts., Baltimore. George N. Wendt, 810-F Wilson Point Rd., Baltimore 20, Md. is the general chairman.

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ited cork cancels of divers shapes. Others
took a fancy to the 3c 1861 and did the
same. Specialized collections of the com-
moner stamps were naturally the most
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low cost of the stamps to begin with and
then the great volume of them that were
available.

In these later years it has become quite
a task however to tackle any of these
earlier stamps and get very far with a
collection without buying stamp by stamp,
whereas in the earlier days many choice
varieties could be easily picked from
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Now we have an announcement of a
new book on cancels, it is to be known as
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who want something distinctive to play with. We are as yet un-
familiar with just what will be included in the book but believe it
will have a welcome reception from a large number of active col-
lectors who have become acquainted with the fun that can be had
from a specialized collection.

Unusual Things In Daily Mail

The wide awake collector who is looking for novelties that are
worth displaying will find quite a lot of interest in his daily mail
if it is large enough and if not large then any attempt to get the
daily covers from letters to any big business firm may turn up a
lot of covers that are well worth keeping.

Two unusual pieces came to our office in the past week. The
first is a letter which bore a 3c of the recent Fort Bliss Commemorative,
the stamp that is printed in a sort of brown orange color. We
have a copy of this on cover from a New York dealer and the stamp
is a distinct olive yellow. The change in color is so pronounced that
it makes a very striking appearance.

This is doubtless a color changeling brought about by some means,
perhaps bath in peroxide will do it, for peroxide has restored
many orange colored stamps to their natural color.

The other item is a cover which is plainly addressed to Linn's
Weekly Stamp News, Sidney, Ohio. It was mailed from New York
City. The letter got as far as Pittsburgh, Pa., where some bright
Post Office Clerk rubber stamped it "Returned For Better Address/
Dec. 21, 1951 /From Pittsburgh, Pa. No such P. O. in state named."
Must have had a big head over or thinking about Christmas.

Here's How If You Want Orders

Herman Herst of Shrub Oak, N. Y. used a full page advertisement
a few weeks ago instead of using a table at the ASDA show
because of illness of Mrs. Herst. He made a lot of attractive offers.
Mr. Herst has just commented as follows on the result of this ad-
vertisement and says orders to date are around \$1,000.00 and orders
still coming in; made 162 new customers; obtained 22 new auction
bidders and will distribute 109 of his new Price Lists. Says Herst,
as a substitute for the ASDA table at their November show, with a
lot less discomfort, expense and wear and tear on the constitution,
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out the stock is bringing us hundreds of dollars in orders every
week. We are at this writing four or five days behind in filling
orders although we put on an extra girl to help get the material in
the mail.

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selling every bit of this material before we stop the sale. Of some
few items we have a quite large stock, while other material was in
short supply and will not be replenished. When an offer appears
again rush your order if there is any of the material that you want.
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One of our Iowa subscribers in commenting on the new Four H
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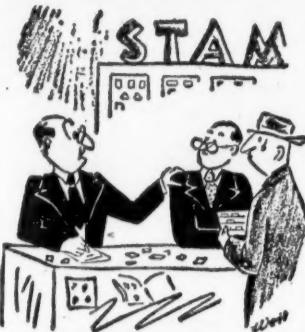
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term 'not quite poor' for that grade
- rather than 'stinker'."

A Look At Irish Political Labels

By Neil Stack

In the period 1906-1916, there
were in use as postage in Ireland,
four un-official labels. Many of
these labels were affixed to cross
channel mail but were finally
declared invalid for postage.

The first known label to make
its appearance was that of the
Celtic Cross designed by Joseph
M. Plunkett, one of the signers of
the Easter Week Proclamation.
It is his design that was later
used in the 3p and 10p stamps of
the permanent issue. These labels
are found on cancelled envelopes
bearing Edward VII stamps.

A one penny label showing the
Red Hand and head of Sir Edward
Carlson, surrounded by the
Union Jack was issued by the
Ulster Volunteers. It bore the in-
scription "We Will Not Have
Home Rule".

The next label, a yellow, black
and green appeared in Dublin
about 1909. It depicted Dark Rosaleen
(the female counterpart of our
Uncle Sam) playing a harp.
Emblazoned also, was the wolf-
hound and the coats of arms of the
four Provinces.

The fourth label was made in
the tri-color on an inverted flag.
It shows the heads of Allen, Lar-
kin and O'Brien, the Manchester
Martyrs. Little information is
available on the date and history
of this label. Two known printings
of it exist.

The Celtic Cross label made
its appearance again during East-
er week of 1916. In its first ap-
pearance it was a blue green color.
In this showing, it appeared
slightly different in its color. This
may be accounted for in a num-
ber of ways: possibly another
printing, deterioration due to im-
proper storage, or if a different
printing, a change in the mixing
of the ink.

When Censorship was adopted
by the I.R.A., there appeared in
1921-22, their hand stamp marks
and printed labels.

On Feb. 17, 1922, Ireland issued
her first stamps which were over-
printed British stamps. It was
not until the Sword of Light de-
sign appeared that Ireland could
claim stamps of her own minting
and design.

Mark Education Golden Jubilee

On January 31, the Philippine
Bureau of Posts will release a 5c
commemorative stamp to mark
the Golden Jubilee of the nation's
educational system.

There will be a total printing
of five million stamps in panes
of 100, with the color being red.

Central motif of the design is
the official seal of the Depart-
ment of Education with two
school children.

First day cover service will be
rendered collectors in the form of
a special cancellation and a ca-
chet both supplied by the Bureau
of Posts.

Orders reaching the Stamp &
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marked as late as January 31 in
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Pasadena Club Has New Officers

Elected to serve the San Gabriel
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coming year were the following
officers: Willard York, president;
Dr. H. M. Barnhart, vice president;
Helen Schonrock, recording
secretary; Jack van Praag, treasurer;
and Beatrice Rankin, corresponding
secretary.

Boston ASDA Chapter Elects New Officers

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BY CARL P. RUETH

So far this year, I have seen two of the actual commems and photos of two more of the proposed designs, the latter on page one this edition. The Betsy Ross, a good design suffers from a poor color. The 4-H has a good color but a rather mediocre and cluttered design.

Seemingly the best of the designs released for view to date is the B&O RR which should really shine if done in a dark, full-bodied color. And by full-bodied I mean avoiding something akin to the washed-out ink as on the Betsy Ross.

The AAA ought to make a good average issue.

1. Not counting the Fort Bliss commem, which has just about everything in its design anyhow, when was the last time an automobile appeared on a commem?

2. Betsy Ross is said to have made the first United States flag. What person shown on a commem of the last ten years wrote a song about it?

Out in Kansas they're getting itchy for another stamp, at least in the Leavenworth area, they are. Headed by agitation from the Leavenworth Philatelic Society the citizens would like to have a stamp around May 9 or 10 to mark the 125th anniversary of the founding of Fort Leavenworth.

I thought all that was covered in the Kansas City "Gateway To The West" issue of 1950 since then it was decided that K. C. was the jumping off place to be honored, and not Leavenworth about 30 miles to the north.

Can't blame the Leavenworth group for trying—they have a splendid chance of being successful inasmuch as a certain VIP of Washington, D. C. and a native of Kansas helped to swing the Kansas City stamp to reality.

And in Zanesville, Ohio the stamp club is propagandizing to get the first day of issue for the Ohio sesquicentennial commem of 1953. Up to now, the Chillicothe folks seemed to have the inside track on the deal since the city was the first capital.

Zanesville says it was the second capital city and ranks just as much in importance as Chillicothe.

Now, it wouldn't be out of the way for Columbus, the present capital, to lay a claim to the stamp.

Vice president Karl W. Scheufeler, 1948 Dresden Rd., Zanesville, Ohio states that the stamp club is sending out a number of cacheted covers to help back the claim. I have one, and it is rather well done.

The Decatur, Ill. dead letter office is holding two FDC's of the UN stamps for a Paul Manion. The address on the two Artmaster covers is 1411 N. Anderson St., Decatur, Ill. The postmaster says there is no such person or street in Decatur.

Should Paul read this he need not properly identify himself to get the covers.

The 10% deal on postal cards got a worthy tussle from a Philadelphia business man. He bought 25,000 of the new 2c government postal cards but it took eight man hours to do it.

Prior to January 1, 1952, it wouldn't have taken any longer than the clerk handing the lot across the counter and taking the money therefore.

Under the new regulations there is a 10% charge on postal cards when purchased in lots of 50 or more. If you buy 49 of them it will cost you face, amounting to 98c. But if you buy 50, you will

have to pay \$1.10.

The business man and three employees stood in line buying cards, 49 at a time, going to the end of the line after each purchase. It took two hours for each person, but it was figured that a \$50 savings resulted in the process.

This regulation is admittedly hard on the postal employees who had nothing to do with the law, but I would certainly think a heavy user of postal cards a stupid business man if he didn't try to beat this 10% financial rap through some device.

Edgar French of New Castle, Ind. sent along a last day of the 1c postal card which had the following on it:

We've gone a long way together,
The Penny Post Card and me.
And we'd be greetin' you New
Years,

Were it not for the P.O.D.
Tis the last of the "Poor Man's
Letter."

A memory of the past.
Everything's gettin' no better,
And that, sir, very fast.
I don't have to 'numerate,
The things one Hoosier's thinkin'.

But with a surcharge on a post
card,

It's gettin' mighty—unsweet.
—J. Lester Williams.

The Dayton Philatelic Society took advantage of the closeness on the first day of issue doing at Springfield, less than 30 miles away, to do some promoting and to supply members with a souvenir.

It bought a bunch of the cacheted envelopes prepared by the Springfield Stamp Club, affixed the 4-H commem, and had them cancelled in Dayton on the first day of issue.

Inside the cover was a commemorative sheet prepared for the occasion, a program for the year of the club's activities, and an invitation for the recipient to visit with and join the Dayton society.

I got one—I'm a member.

THANKS FOR THE COVERS DEPT.: Bernard Jacobson, Fairborn, Ohio; Charles J. Keenan, Portland, Oregon; D. J. Duarte, Lisbon, Portugal; Morris C. Rothblum, Palmyra, N.J.; Robert E. White, Grand Haven, Mich.; Paul Pechstein, Seaside, Oregon; Charles E. Milbury, Collingswood, N.J.

Hear ye, hear ye, hear ye!

Be it made known to all ye within the sound of my voice that the polls for the Fourth Annual Design Derby will close to further voting on January 31 in this year of Our Lord, 1952.

Clever, huh?

Well whether you think it is, or isn't, how about some of you slow pokes getting your votes in here. And that includes the clubs.

And while on the clubs, I happily report that returns from that source have really been rolling in—and why shouldn't they? Club members are generally active people with opinions.

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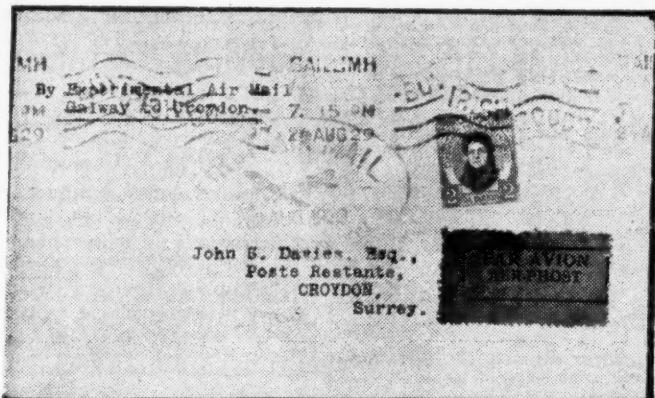
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The Galway-London First Airmail Flight

by John Reibel

There was no official air mail flight prior to that of August 26, 1929. Letters for transmission by the Experimental Air Mail were received at the Galway post office for some days prior to the flight and it may be that some of the letters were date stamped in error at Galway before August 26, 1929.

It is of interest to note that the accompanying photo of my airmail cover is dated Aug. 24. A further possible explanation for the date is the possibility that it was originally expected that the S. S. Karlsruhe of the North German Lloyd Line would arrive on August 24, but the ship was delayed by fog at New York and did not arrive at Galway until August 26, 1929.

It is possible too, that some of the letters held at Galway were date stamped Aug. 24, 1929 before it was known that the S.S. Karlsruhe was delayed. Unfortunately the Galway local records of 1929 are not now available so that the above conjectures cannot be verified.

The mail carried on the flight consisted of: 1 bag (21 lbs.) containing 2000 letters posted in the U. S. A. This bag was made up at New York for London. All letters in this bag were cancelled with the New York date stamp by the U. S. Post Office; they were also impressed with a rubber cachet stamp by the North German Lloyd Shipping Co. This cachet shows an airplane and the S. S. Karlsruhe with the wording—"FIRST AIR MAIL—GALWAY-LONDON."

One bag (7 lbs.) containing 1000 letters posted on board the S. S. Karlsruhe bore the North German Lloyd Sea Post date cancellation and were again date stamped on arrival at Galway with the airplane cachet and the notation—"FIRST AIR MAIL—GALWAY-LONDON." It was dated August 26, 1929.

Five bags weighing 66 pounds and containing 5026 letters were posted at Galway and bore the Galway cancellation August 26, 1929.—"FIRST AIR MAIL—GALWAY-LONDON."

Those making the flight were Colonel Charles Russell (Former Chief of the Irish Free State Air Force) who is still living, and Flight Officer J. Summers, test pilot for Vickers Aviation, Ltd., builders of the plane used in the flight. It is not known whether F/O Summers is still living.

All letters intended for transmission by the Experimental Air Mail were required to be marked "Experimental Air Mail—Galway-London." This designation could be done by hand stamp, printing or long hand.

The cachet was supplied to the post office by the Galway Chamber of Commerce which sponsored the flight in conjunction with the North German Lloyd Steamship Co., Colonel Russell and Messrs. Vickers Aviation, Ltd.

The flight commenced at 7:30 a. m. on August 26, and the plane arrived at Croydon Aerodrome, London at 11:35 a. m., having called at Baldonnel and Sealand, near Liverpool.

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The 55 ore which has to date existed in an orange color will, by the end of January, appear in blue. This to conform to U.P.U. regulations.

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The latter part of his life Adams spent in retirement at Quincy, Mass., where he followed with much interest the budding career of his son, John Quincy Adams, who was later to become another President of the United States.

(Note - This is the only father-son combination as Presidents in our history to date. Note also - Quincy, Mass. was rated as a residential suburb of Boston; it was the birthplace of John Hancock and the home of both Adams's - and all three lie buried in the First Congregational (Unitarian) churchyard in that city.)

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bons Catalogs and Albums of which he maintains a full stock.

The January 1952 Bulletin of the Colonial Stamp Shop, Saugerties, N. Y., is available to interested collectors of the U. S. issues for a 3c stamp. As usual it has a number of interesting philatelic anecdotes, informative articles about stamps and what seem to be advantageous offers of United States stamps. Mention Linn's when writing for it.

Ernest Finley, 671 W. 193rd St., New York 33, N. Y. has a list of mint regulars, commems, semi-postals, airmails and dues of Switzerland which he will send on receipt of a 3c stamp. All the popular material is priced and listed in sets. Mr. Finley also services want lists of Swiss needed to complete broken sets, or singles of the scarcer stamps.

After January 25, Peter B. Wright, stamp dealer, and family will be located at Ridgefield, Conn. The Wrights have purchased a home there while the stamp business will be conducted from a downtown location where over the counter and mail business will be handled. After January 25 the address is P. O. Box 87, Ridgefield, Conn. Bolivia, Costa Rica and Uruguay price lists are available.

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Offered will be two films on the making of Swiss postage stamps, an auction, refreshments and the installation of the recently elected officers of the Albany Club.

These are Edith M. Fisher, president; F. Delano Jenks, vice president; and Ray Talbert, secretary-treasurer.

There will be no admission charge. Further information can be gotten from secretary Talbert at Box 493, Albany, Oregon.

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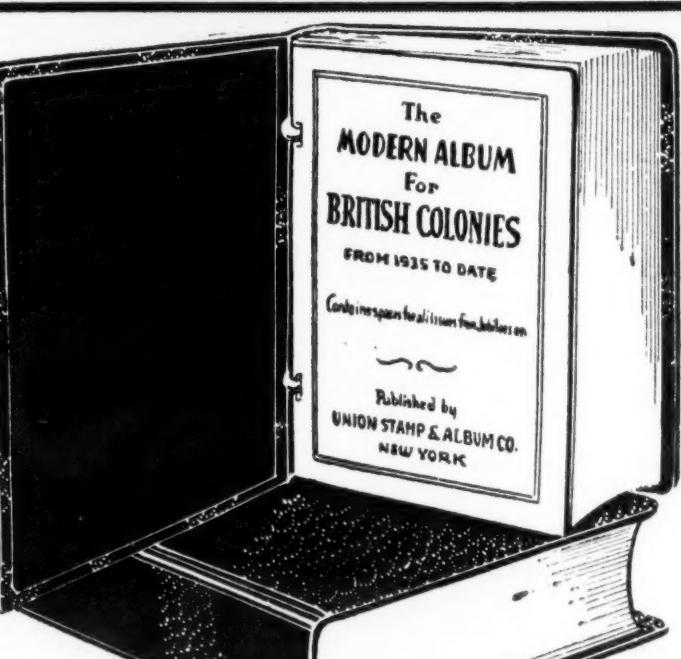
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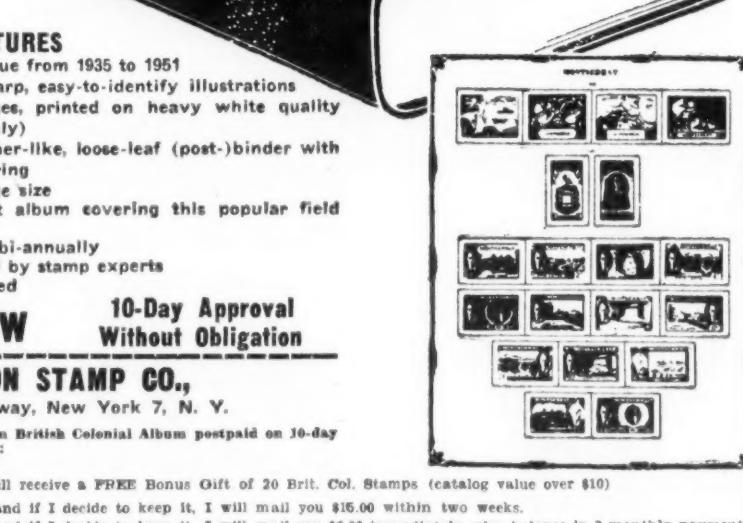


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Few realize that by 1784 the Irish had developed a fully independent postal system and that only in 1831 was it merged with the British system. The first 47 years of Ireland's postal history is little understood by most Irish collectors and is apt to be overlooked by them.

In this aspect E.P.A. endeavors to help members fill in the elusive data. Such information is found valuable in writing up albums for exhibitions where philatelic knowledge counts heavily in the judging.

The Association has in the past aided its members to locate stamps difficult to obtain; this is especially true of the British stamps which were overprinted by the Provisional Government and later by the Free State Government.

At the present time a sales circuit is in the process of formation and will cater to the novice as well as to the specialist. Members collecting countries other than Ireland will also be given an opportunity to find adhesives of their favorite country in the new approvals.

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Collectors of Irish postal stationery have the advantage of securing such items through the Association. In most instances this material is not readily accessible to a non-member. The Association publishes free to members, a bi-monthly publication called "The Revealer". This timely journal gives the member club news, a cultural background of Ireland in order that he may more fully understand the country he is collecting, the histories of famous Irish cities, poets, artists, statesmen and other notables.

In it is also found valuable information relative to Irish Postal History, aids in forming a collection and articles on the commemoratives by a specialist in that field.

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The Association aims to popularize and encourage the collecting of the stamps, postal stationery and covers of Ireland. It also encourages its members to exhibit their collections at exhibitions in competition with other clubs.

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BRITISH EMPIRE CHATTER

by HENRY M. FRIEDMAN
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ADEN. Aden has demonetized all stamps issued before October 1, 1951. This means that all Aden stamps with values in Annas and Rupees are no longer available for postage.

The only stamps that can be used are the recently issued series in cents and shillings.

CANADA. The Canada Silver Jubilee set (211/216) is getting quite scarce and at a recent New York auction sale mint blocks of four sold for \$5.50.

SEYCHELLES. For some time this column has mentioned the scarcity of the 75c gray blue (No. 142) as compared with the 1 Rupee yellow green (No. 144).

Scott prices the 75c stamp at \$15.00 and the 1 Rupee stamp at \$20.00.

The latest Gibbons' catalogue (1952) prices the 75c stamp at 120 shillings and the 1 Rupee stamp at 110 shillings.

At a recent New York auction sale, a mint copy of the 1 Rupee sold for \$14.00. The 75c stamp does not appear in sales very often.

BRITISH GUIANA. The 24c Scott's No. 234 priced at 28c is a scarce item with watermark upright. This variety is priced by Gibbons at 40 shillings and by Commonwealth at 35 shillings.

At a recent New York auction sale a single mint copy sold for \$3.50 and a block of four sold for \$14.00.

ST. HELENA. The 1 penny yellow listed by Scott as 119A and priced at 10c, exists in various shades.

The Commonwealth catalogue lists a deep yellow at 6/6. This deep yellow stamp is in demand in England and has been selling from 65c to \$1.75.

AUSTRALIA. The 1937 commemorative set (No. 163/165) is scarcer than Scott's catalogue price of \$1.33 would indicate. This set is priced by Gibbons' 1952 catalogue at 15/6 or \$2.16.

The one shilling gray green (No. 175) exists with various perforations. Scott's catalogue regardless of perforation is 25c. If perforated 13½ x 14 this stamp is priced by Gibbons at 35/- or \$4.00.

BAHAMAS. Do not overpay for your copy of Bahamas No. 115 priced by Scott at 40c. The 1952 Gibbons prices this stamp at 1/3 or 18c and the Commonwealth Catalogue price is 1/6 or about 21c.

NEW ZEALAND. The Laughing Boy set (B3/B4) continues to advance in price. Scott's 1952 catalogue prices this set at \$40.00 and the 1952 Gibbons' Catalogue says 12 Pounds.

KENYA, UGANDA & TANZANIA. Early in January it was announced that printing had been ordered for two stamps to commemorate the forthcoming Royal visit. The values were 10c and one shilling.

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"ROCHESTER MAIL AUCTIONS"
CHAUNCEY R. WRIGHT
119 HARVARD STREET **ROCHESTER 7, N.Y.**

PRESENTS

MAIL AUCTION NO. 2

FEATURING MEDIUM PRICED & CHOICE U. S. MATERIAL
TERMS OF MAIL AUCTION SALE

- EACH LOT** in this sale will be sold to the highest bidder at a 25c advance over the second highest bid received. In the case of successful bids under \$5.00, a 10c advance over the second highest bid will be honored.
- SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS** known to me and those furnishing Bona-Fide references will have their lots forwarded immediately, on the closing date of the sale. Other successful bidders will be notified immediately and their lots will be forwarded upon receipt of payment in full. I request that payment be sent within 5 days after notification of receipt of lots.
- ONLY THE ACTUAL** Postage and Insurance charges will be added.
- SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS** may send up to \$6.00 in mint 3¢ postage, at face value, in payment toward net total of the invoice, for lots they obtain.
- DESCRIPTIONS:** There is a complete and clear description of each lot. The descriptions are accurate, honest and **GUARANTEED**. I expect the success of the **ROCHESTER MAIL STAMP AUCTIONS** to stand greatly on this merit.
- LOTS** can be sent to responsible bidders who will send references and pay postage both ways. Please request lots early enough.

KEY: ★—Unused, full original gum; ○—Used; □—Block; ☐—Cover. Mint means Never Hinged; NG—No gum. SUPERB—Perfect; VF—near SUPERB, FINE—Perfs. clear of design.

CATALOGUE NUMBERS AND PRICES: Scott's Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue, 1962 & Scott's United States Stamp Catalogue Specialized, 1952.

EST. VAL.: A conservative estimate of the actual value of the lot, used only when Cataloguing is not practical or impossible.

BIDS CLOSE FEBRUARY 23, 1952

I APPRECIATE YOUR BIDS — THEY WILL BE EXECUTED WITH CARE

Lot #	Scott #	Description	Cat. Val.	Lot #	Scott #	Description	Cat. Val.	Lot #	Scott #	Description	Cat. Val.								
UNITED STATES																			
1 ★	#20	1c '57 Type II, fresh unused, NG DOUBLE TRANSFER -Pl. XII, centered left. Very Scarce	30.00	66	#564&623	12&17c Flats, VF-SUPERB, MINT		124	©	100 All Diff. Exact descript. to above, none Dup. above	Est. 20.00								
2 ○	#25	3c '57 Type I, Fine hor. pair, black town	3.00	67	#569	30c Flat, Top Pl# blk of 6, MINT & Fine	10.00	125	©	A Coll. of 299 all diff. Canadian 1St. Flight cvrs. VF Lot. All Cacheted and most with #C1 or 3. Extr. desirable	Est. 75.00								
3 ★	#112	1c 1869, Superbly centered, MINT pair, one creased, other 2mm tear	22.00	68	#571	\$1.00 1922, VF-MINT Top Pl# blk of 6	18.50	126	©	#799 Hawaii, 7 cacheted 1st. Day Cvrs., (Oct. 18), each from a DIFFERENT MILITARY INSTALLATION on Hawaii. Unlisted and no doubt Very Rare	Est. 35.00								
4 ○	#112 & 13	1c & 2c '69's, Fine copy of each	9.25	69	#572	\$2.00 1922, Bot. Pl# blk of 6, MINT & Fine	35.00	127	©	FAMOUS AMERICANS Cpl. in blks. of 4 On Cpl. set of 35 Matching Cacheted 1st. Day Covers. VF-SUPERB	Est. 30.00								
5 ★	#115	6c 1869, unused NG, attractive, Just Fine	22.00	70	#573	\$5.00 America, SUPERB-MINT, CENTERLINE blk 4, Scarce	60.00	128	©	FAMOUS AMERICANS Cpl. set sgl. on Cpl. set of 35 Matching Cacheted 1st Day Covers. VF-SUPERB	Est. 7.50								
6 ○	#118&21	15c & 30c 1869 Two sound, desirable copies the perfs cut slightly on each	34.00	72	#576	1½c Imperf. SUPERB. MINT CENTERLINE blk 4	11.00	129	©	5c KOREA FLAG , 6 blks. of 4 on 6 VF-SUPERB, Cacheted 1st. Day Covers	Est. 6.50								
7 ★	#188	10c 1879, MINT-fresh, perfs tch. Bot. Rare	25.00	73	#611	2c Harding Imperf. SUPERB MINT blk of 4	7.50	130	©	24 Diff. Commem. blks of 4, (#'s 922-945 Cpl. & Incl.). Each on Matching Cacheted 1st. Day Cover. VF-SUPERB lot	Est. 6.50								
8 ★	#209	10c 1882, A SUPERB-MINT sgl.	3.00	74	©	#611 2c Harding Imperf. SUPERB CENTERLINE blk of 4	30.00	A very unusual group of WHOLESALE lots, wherein every stamp & block is choice MINT & VF-SUPERB											
9 ★	#222	4c 1890, A SUPERB-MINT sgl.	2.50	75	©	#612 2c Perf 10 Harding SUPERB MINT blk 4, Scarce	8.00	131	★	#576 1½c Harding Imperf. 5 blks of 4	5.50								
10 ★	#227	15c 1890, A Very Fine, MINT sgl.	6.50	76	©	#614-21 Wal. Lex. Norse sets, VF sgl of each	9.10	132	★	#577 2c Imperf. 5 blks. of 4	6.25								
11 ○	#230-7	1-10c Columbians, A very nice copy of each.	4.76	77	©	#620 2c Norse, VF-SUPERB CENTERLINE blk of 4, MINT	5.00	133	★	#611 2c Black Harding Imperf. 3 vert. & 3 horiz. pairs	21.00								
12 ★	#234	5c Columbian, fresh MINT blk. of 6, perfs touch two, balance Fine	18.00	78	©	#621 5c Norse, SUPERB unused blk of 4, OG	14.00	134	○	#611 2c Black Harding Imperf. used. A horiz. pair & 3 sgl.	6.25								
13 ★	#234	5c Colum., fresh MINT blk. 4, F-VF, weak perfs	12.50	79	©	#630 White Plains Souvenir sht, VF-SUPERB, dot over S	27.50	135	★	#629 White Plains, 5 blks. of 4	8.25								
14 ★	#235	6c Colum., VF-MINT blk of 4, a beauty	12.50	80	★	#630 Another, without dot, VF-SUPERB & MINT	23.50	136	★	#655 Edison Rotary, 10 blks. of 4	6.50								
15 ★	#236	8c Colum., SUPERB blk of 4, barely hngd	10.00	81	★	#630 Still another, A Fine, MINT Sheet	23.50	137	★	#656 2c Edison Coil, 2 Joint Line Pairs	4.50								
16 ★	#238	15c Colum., A Fine fresh, OG copy	8.50	82	★	#658-68 1-10c Kans. F-VF, OG set, Perfs Clear on all	20.47	138	★	#681 2c Ohio, 10 blocks of 4	5.00								
17 ○	#238	15c Colum., A lovely & SUPERB sgl.	5.00	83	★	#669-79 1-10c Nebr. F-VF, OG set, Perfs clear on all	21.82	139	★	#704-15 ½-10c Wash. Bicent. 3 Cpl. sets of sgl.	8.64								
18 ★	#285	1c Trans. Miss. A VF-Spb. mint blk of 4	5.00	84	★	#692-701 11-30c Roty, VF-SUPERB, MINT set	6.65	140	★	#718-19 3 & 5c Olympics, 5 blks. of 4 of each	6.75								
19 ★	#286	2c Trans. Miss. A VF-Spb., mint blk of 4	4.00	85	★	#697 17c Wilson, Roty, F-VF sheet of 100	44.50	141	★	#733 3c Byrd, 5 blocks of 4	6.00								
20 ★	#287	4c Trans. Miss. A SUPERB -Mint sgl.	4.25	86	★	#704-15 Bicent. set in VF-SUPERB, MINT blks of 4	12.27	142	★	#734 5c Kosciuszko, 5 blocks of 4	6.00								
21 ★	#289	8c Trans. A MINT blk of 4, F-VF, Scarce & Desirable	37.50	87	★	#733 3c Byrd, A VERY FINE sheet of 50	15.05	143	★	#735 3c Byrd Imperf, 18 of the Min. shs. of 6	24.30								
22 ★	#289	8c Trans., Top Pl. # sgl. fresh mint & F	7.50	88	★	#740-49 Parks set cpl. VF-SUPERB, MINT Pl# blks of 6	15.75	144	★	#740-49 1-10c Nat. Parks, 5 Cpl. sets of sgl.	10.10								
23 ★	#291	50c Trans. fresh mint sgl. top margin & Imp., Fine	35.00	89	★	#740-49 Parks set cpl. VF-SUPERB, MINT blks of 4	8.25	145	★	#747 8c Nat. Park, 5 Pl# blocks of 6	8.75								
24 ★	#294-99	Pan Am. set Cpl. Each MINT & VF-Superb, beauties	20.70	90	★	#753 Farley perf Byrd, Centerline & 4 arrow blks, VF-SUPERB	12.50	146	★	#772-77 6 Diff. 3c Commems. 5 blks of 4 of each var. (30)	10.50								
25 ★	#296	4c Pan Am. SUPERB Pl# blk 6, barely hngd, scarce	35.00	91	★	#754 Mother Day Imperf. SUPERB CENTERLINE blk of 4	4.75	147	★	#796 5c Vir. Dare, 4 Pl# blks of 6 (scarce ctd)	7.00								
26 ★	#296	4c Pan Am. VF-SUPERB blk 4, barely hngd. beauty	18.00	92	★	#755 Wisconsin Imperf. SUPERB CENTERLINE blk of 4	5.00	148	★	#837 3c N.W. Terr., 3 Pl# blks & 5 plain blks of 4	7.50								
27 ★	#296	4c Pan Am. VF-SUPERB, MINT sgl.	3.50	93	★	#756-65 Farley Park Imperf. SUPERB SET CENTERLINE blks.	77.50	149	★	#856 3c Canal Zone, 10 blks of 4	6.00								
28 ★	#323-27	Louisiana Set Cpl, Beautiful MINT, 10c Val. GEM	27.25	94	★	#756-65 Farley Park set cpl. in SUPERB Bot. Pl# blks of 6	19.10	150	★	#868 10c Riley (Poet), 10 copies, the 2nd BEST F. Am.	12.00								
29 ★	#323	1c Louisiana, SUPERB-MINT blk 4, with Pl#	7.00+	95	★	#756-65 Farley Park set cpl. in SUPERB Imperf. blks of 4	10.00	151	★	#871 3c Educator, 5 blks of 4, another GOOD F. Am.	5.50								
30 ★	#325	3c Louis. VF-SUPERB blk 4, rich color, barely hngd.	22.50	SOUVENIR SHEETS															
31 ★	#325	3c Louis. Fresh MINT sgl. Fine	4.75	96	★	#769-70 Farley Park, 2 SUPERB CROSS GUTTER blks 4 of each	6.30	152	★	3c Pony Express, 5 blks of 4	8.75								
32 ★	#327	10c Louisiana, OG sgl., perfs cut at top	13.50	97	★	#771 16c Farley SDAM, SUPERB Top Pl# blk of 6	11.00	153	★	3c Pony Express, 3 Pl# blks of 4	6.75								
33 ★	#343-7	1-5c 1908 Imperfs. in SUPERB, OG, hor. pairs	28.40+	98	★	#833 \$2.00 President, SUPERB MINT Top Pl# & Arrow blk of 4	15.00	154	★	3c Pan American, 5 blks of 4	6.25								
34 ★	#368	2c Lincoln, SUPERB, Imperf. blk 4, barely hngd.	16.00	99	★	#859-93 Famous Amer. SUPERB MINT set sgl. sgl. (35)	10.72	155	★	3c Idaho, 10 blks of 4	5.00								
35 ★	#369	2c Lincoln blue paper, fresh OG, perf just tch. bot.	13.50	100	★	#859-93 Famous Amer. SUPERB MINT set blks 4 (35 blks)	42.75	156	★	3c Wyoming, 10 blks of 4	5.00								
36 ★	#371	2c ALASKA , SUPERB, Imperf. blk of 4, MINT	22.50	101	★	Var. Large 3c Commems. 100 Pl# sgl. MINT-VF, few dups.	???	157	★	#902 3c 13th. Amendment, 10 blks of 4	6.00								
37 ★	#371	2c Alaska, Imperf hor pair, SUPERB & MINT	10.00+	U. S. AIRS, PARCEL POST, REVENUES & PROOFS															
38 ★	#373	2c Fulton, SUPERB, CENTERLINE blk 4, barely hngd.	5.00	102	★	#C1-3 1st. Air set, F-VF fresh & MINT or barely hngd.	15.25	158	★	906 5c China, 20 singles	6.00								
39 ★	#373	2c Fulton, Imp blk 4, VF & barely hngd	18.50	103	★	#C4&5 2nd. Airs, 8c & 16c, VF MINT copies	6.85	159	★	906 5c China, 10 blks of 4	12.00								
40 ★	#373	2c Fulton, Imperf hor. pair, SUPERB & MINT	9.00+	104A	★	#C4-6 2nd. Air set Cpl. in SUPERB-MINT blks of 4, GEMS	61.00	160	★	#C23 6c Carmine & Blue Airmail, 6 blks of 4	5.40								
41 ★	#388	2c Coil, SUPERB, OG, GUIDE LINE PAIR, RARE	85.00	104	★	#C4-6 2nd. Air Set cpl. A Fine used set	7.75	161	★	#C38 5c N.Y. Jubilee Airmail, 10 blks of 4	6.00								
42 ★	#392-6	1-5c Coils, GUIDE LINE PAIR of ea. Fine-SUPERB	27.25	105	★	#C10a 10c Lindy, A VF, MINT Booklet Pane of 3	3.50	162	★	#C42-44 U.P.U. Airs, 3 Cpl. sets of Pl# blks of 4	13.80								
43 ★	#394	3c Coil, SUPERB OG pair	6.50	106	★	#C12 5c Flat Plate, Fine MINT Bot. Pl# blk of 6	3.30	163	★	#UC9 6c Air Surcharge, 3 Entires, scarce	12.00								
44 ★	#397-400A	Pan. Pac. set cpl. VF-SUPERB, barely hngd. beauties	25.10	107	★	#C18 50c Zep. A VF-MINT Top Pl# blk of 6 Scarce	65.00	A FEW EXTREMELY DESIRABLE FOREIGN LOTS											
45 ★	#399	5c Pan Pac. VF-SUPERB blk 4 with Pl#, barely hngd.	22.50+	108	★	#C18 50c Zep. A VF-SUPERB blk of 4, MINT	37.50	164	★	Belgium, B123-4 VF-MINT set of 2, Cpl.	12.00								
46 ★	#400	10c Pan Pac. MINT sgl. Fine	9.00	109	★	#C18 50c Zep. A SUPERB-MINT single	9.00	165	○	Brazil, #61-67 set Cpl. #64&5 unused, balance	33.75								
47 ★	#402	2c Pan Pac. perf 10, A Fine, MINT sgl.	6.00	110	★	#C21-2 20 & 50c Clippers, VF-SUPERB MINT Pl# blk of 10 of ea.	16.00	166	★	#65 off-center, balance Fine, SCARCE Set	45.00								
48 ★	#403	5c Pan Pac. perf 10, MINT sgl. Just Fine	13.50	111	★	#C24 30c Trans. Atlan. F-VF MINT, Top Pl# blk of 6	10.00	167	★	Canada #120-35, Anniversary set Cpl. MINT & VF	31.35								
49 ★	#407	7c 1914 Issue, VF, barely hngd. sgl.	3.75	112	★	#C32-43 1946-9 Airs Cpl. VF-SUPERB MINT Pl# blks of 4 (12)	13.90	168	★	Cuba #340-54, 1937 Artist set, VF-MINT, A scarce set	???								
50 ★	#416	10c 1912 Issue, 3 F-VF, MINT sgl. Nice	6.00	113	★	#Q7 15c Parcel Post, A SUPERB MINT GEM	3.75	169	★	France #251A, A VF MINT sgl. Scarce stamp	25.00								
51 ★	#428	5c 1914. VF-SPB. OG blk 4, with Pl#	5.00+	114	★	#R51c 30c Foreign Exch. Fine Hor. Pair, manse, can., Scarce	60.00	170	★	Germany #B15-18, A VF MINT set	8.10								
52 ★	#431	8c 1914, MINT, Top Pl# blk 6, Fine	16.00	115	★	#O1TC-9 Agriculture, (less 15c Val), Scarlet, VF	24.00	171	★	Germany #B11-19, A SUPERB MINT single	4.00								
53 ★	#431	8c 1914 Issue, A Fine, MINT sgl.	2.00	116	★	#O25TC-34 Justice set in Scarlet, VF	30.00	172	★	Germany #C38, 2Mk. S.A. Zepp. Tied to VF, Cacheted, Flt. Cvr.	10.00+								
54 ★	#435a	12c Copper Red, VF-SUPERB, MINT blk 4, Scarce	16.00	117	★	Ditto, Justice set in Blue, VF	30.00	173	★	Guatemala #C92, 2 SUPERB MINT Constitution Sheets	7.00								
55 ★	#446	4c Coil, VF GUIDE LINE PAIR, barely hngd.	20.00	118	★	Ditto, VERY FINE set in Green	30.00	174	★	Israel #1-9, Cpl. Mint set, VF-SUPERB, sells abt. 20.00	14.83								
56 ★	#463b	5c RED ERROR, Fine, well clear, OG, sgl. are Rare	62.50	119	★	Ditto, VERY FINE set in Brown	30.00	175	★	Israel #J1-5, 1st. Postage dues, VF-MINT set	14.83								
57 ★	#475	15c 1916 Issue, Fine, MINT sgl.	9.00	120	★	#O35TC-45 NAVY, VERY FINE set in Blue	33.00	176	★	Liberia #309-12 & C63-4, The Famous 6 Color Lithographed sets Designed & AUTOGRAPHED by Arthur Syzk, Both sets in Cpl. shts. of 20, each is Autographed, Beautiful & very Rare	14.83								
58 ★	#479	22.00 blue, A Fine, fresh OG sgl.	16.00	121	★	#O57TC-67 Dept. of State, VF set in Green	33.00	177	★	Uruguay #410-13, Min. Sht. of 4 of ea. VF	9.95								
59 ★	#524	5.00 1918, A VERY FINE , OG sgl.	15.00	122	★	#O20P1 12c Interior, VF LARGE DIE PROOF	12.50	178	★	Nicaragua #C272-6, Roosevelt Air Set, VF-mint	13.20								
60 ○	#524&47	\$2.00 &\$5.00 Franklins, A VF sgl. of each	5.00	A FEW, VERY CHOICE COVER LOTS															
61 ★	#547	\$2.00 Franklin, VERY FINE , MINT sgl.	13.50	123	○	12c All Diff. VF-SUPERB, Cacheted Air Mail cvrs. FAM's, Clippers & Dedications, with wide range of Commem.	Est. 25.00	179	★	Paraguay #C134-46 Cpl. Mint set, VF & Scarce	27.70								
62 ★	#547	\$2.00 Franklin, A Fine, OG sgl.	13.50	180	★	Uruguay #410-13, Min. Sht. of 4 of ea. VF	9.95												
63 ★	#548	1c Pilgrim, VF-SUPERB, MINT Pl# blk 6	2.75	181	★	END OF AUCTION — THANK YOU													
64 ★	#555-70	3c-5c Flats, no 8c, VF-SUPERB, MINT sgl. of each	15.00	182	★														
65 ★	#556	4c Martha Wash., VF-MINT blk of 4	3.25																